



November 13, 2013

Item No. 18

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXERCISE TWO, ONE-YEAR OPTIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL DATA SYSTEMS, INC. TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT TRAINING AND PLACEMENT AT SUMMER FOOD AND GOLDEN DINER SITES**

**To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners ("Board") authorize the exercise, at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") or his designee, of the two (2) one-year options of Contract No. 11072 with Educational Data Systems, Inc. ("EDSI") in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,397,954 for each year respectively, subject to funding availability and satisfactory contract performance to provide employment training and placement at CHA's summer food and golden diner sites. The aggregate total requested for approval of the first and second one-year option periods is an amount not to exceed \$2,795,908. The new aggregate contract total, including the base term and two one-year options will be an amount not-to-exceed \$5,508,306.

The Executive Vice President ("EVP") of Resident Services, the Office of the General Counsel and the Department of Procurement and Contracts have completed all necessary due diligence to support the submission of this initiative and recommend the approval of this item accordingly.

**CORPORATE GOAL**

The proposed program supports CHA's corporate goal of empowering individuals for success in the global economy while providing targeted services to residents at critical milestones in their lives.

**FUNDING:** CHA General Fund

**SOLICITATION SUMMARY**

**Vendor:**

Educational Data Systems, Inc.  
500 North Dearborn – Suite 850  
Chicago, IL 60610

**2 YR Base Contract Amount:** \$2,712,398

**First Option Year:** \$1,397,954

**Second Option Year:** \$1,397,954

**COMPLIANCE INFORMATION**

Vendor	M/W/DBE Participation	Section 3 Hiring	Section 3 Contracting
Educational Data Systems, Inc.	20% (WBE)	10 Section 3 hires (Industry Field Monitors)	20% (WBE)

## **GENERAL BACKGROUND**

CHA's Resident Services Division is charged with supporting families on the path to self-sufficiency, which includes encouraging families to achieve economic independence. To accomplish this goal, CHA provides workforce development services to CHA residents. The Summer Food and Golden Diner program sites allow for subsidized employment opportunities that would not otherwise be available to CHA residents. On January 17, 2012, the Board authorized the CHA to enter into a contract with EDSI for a 2-year base term in the amount of \$2,712,398, with 2, one-year options. The training provided by EDSI, combined with the work experience gained through the program, has proven successful in leading to unsubsidized employment opportunities for CHA residents.

The Summer Food Service Program provides a nutritious breakfast and lunch to children between the ages of 3 to 18. In 2008, CHA began utilizing Summer Food sites located near CHA developments as a subsidized employment opportunity for CHA adults and incorporated both training and certification components. This contract creates jobs for CHA residents that would otherwise be filled with city workers through the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS).

The City of Chicago's Golden Diner Program provides nutritious full-course meals for seniors age 60 and older (and their spouse of any age) who may have limited mobility and lack the incentive to prepare meals and eat alone. In 2010, CHA and DFSS incorporated a subsidized work component for CHA residents at GDP to create more employment and training opportunities for residents.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with all applicable Chicago Housing Authority board policies and all applicable federal (HUD) procurement laws.

The EVP of Resident Services concurs with the recommendation to exercise two, one-year options with EDSI for the Summer Food and Golden Diner programs.

The CEO/President recommends the authorization to exercise, at his or his designee's discretion, the two, one-year options with EDSI to provide employment training and placement for the Summer Food and Golden Diner programs in a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,397,954 for each option year, respectively, subject to funding availability and satisfactory contract performance. The aggregate total requested for approval of the first and second one-year option periods is an amount not to exceed \$2,795,908. The new aggregate contract total, including the base term and two one-year options will be an amount not-to-exceed \$5,508,306.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-CHA-111**

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners has reviewed the Board Letter dated November 13, 2013 entitled "AUTHORIZATION TO EXERCISE TWO, ONE-YEAR OPTIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL DATA SYSTEMS, INC. TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT TRAINING AND PLACEMENT AT SUMMER FOOD AND GOLDEN DINER SITES";

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**THAT** the Board of Commissioners authorizes the exercise, at the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") or his designee, of the two (2) one-year options of Contract No. 11072 with Educational Data Systems, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,397,954 for each year respectively, subject to funding availability and satisfactory contract performance to provide employment training and placement at CHA's summer food and golden diner sites. The aggregate total requested for approval of the first and second one-year option periods is an amount not to exceed \$2,795,908. The new aggregate contract total, including the base term and two one-year options will be an amount not-to-exceed \$5,508,306.

This award is subject to the Contractor's compliance with the CHA's MBE/WBE/DBE, Section 3 hiring, and insurance requirements.



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